

Aonia	(in MT) Jagdishpur
(1.4.1991 to 18.11.1991)	(April 1991 to October 1991)
5,34,462	4,03,827

Cement Production

998. SHRI MOHAN SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of cement produced in the country during 1991-92 vis-a-vis the domestic requirement;

(b) whether the government have received some new applications for setting up cement factories keeping in view the shortage of cement; and

(c) if so, the number of new cement factories likely to be set up in the private sector this year, the location thereof and the extent to which the shortage of cement would be met by the setting up of these factories?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P. J. KURIEN): (a) Against a projected domestic demand of 54 million tonnes of cement during 1991-92, the production target has been fixed at 55 million tonnes. The actual production of cement during April-September, 1991, was 25.8 million tonnes as compared to 23.2 million tonnes production during the corresponding period of 1990-91 i.e. a growth of 11%.

(b) There is no shortage of cement in the country. Under the new Licensing Policy, cement industry has been delicensed and as such, the companies do not have to submit applications to the Government for setting up of new cement factories. However, a total of 28 companies have filed Information Memoranda intimating their intention to manufacture cement.

(c) A capacity of about 2.2 million tonnes is expected to materialise by way of expansions during the current year.

Fertilizer Manufacturing Units Under F.C.I.

999. SHRI MOHAN SINGH:
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Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of fertilizer manufacturing units functioning at corporation of India;

(b) the names of the units in which production has been suspended;

(c) whether production in the fertilizer factory at Gorakhpur has also been suspended for the last one and a half years; and

(d) if so, the action being taken to revive the said factory?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) There are four fertilizer producing units under the Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd, located at Sindri in Bihar, Ramagundam in Andhra Pradesh, Talcher in Orissa, and Gorakhpur in Uttar Pradesh.

(b) and (c). The production of fertilizer was suspended in Gorakhpur unit w.e.f. 10th June, 1990.